REMARKS

Following entry of Applicants' Amendment of November 21, 2006 and this Amendment, claims 1-22 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 21 and 22 have been newly added herewith.

Examiner Interview

Applicants' undersigned representative contacted the Examiner to briefly discuss the time period for responding to the Office Action and thanks the Examiner for the courtesy extended during the interview. During the interview, the Examiner confirmed that the time period for responding was set by the October 25, 2006 Office Action (which corrected the Office Action of October 11, 2006). Therefore, Amendment filed November 21, 2006 was timely filed as is the present Amendment and RCE.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE)

An RCE is being filed concurrently herewith requesting entry of the Amendment filed November 21, 2006 and entry of this additional Amendment. The claim amendments above are additional and subsequent to the claim amendments of the November 21 Amendment.

Claim Rejections

The claim rejections are addressed in the November 21 Amendment. The present

Amendment places claim 11 in independent form. Claim 11 is allowable at least for reasons

similar to claim 1 and claim 12 is allowable at least by virtue of its dependency from claim 11.

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New Claims

Claims 21 and 22 have been newly added herewith and are fully supported by present

application in Fig. 2 and at page 8, lines 9-15. Claims 21 and 22 are allowable at least by virtue

of their dependency from claim 11.

Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed

to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the

Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is

kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue

Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any

overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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